



STATE OF WASHINGTON
DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL AND HEALTH SERVICES
Ageing and Long-Term Support Administration
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AL TSA: ALF #2019-007
CR-101 RE-FILED TO PROPOSE ADDING & AMENDING SECTIONS
TO CHAPTER 388-78A WAC

Dear Assisted Living Facility Administrator:

The department is considering adding, repealing, or amending sections to Chapter 388-78A of the Washington Administrative Code (WAC) for Assisted Living Facility Licensing Rules. A CR-101 for this rule development was filed previously under WSR #16-20-023. Due to the age of the public notification, this Preproposal Statement of Inquiry has been refiled under WSR #19-08-001. There has been a considerable amount of stakeholder work completed to date. This will be a continuance of the current stakeholder workgroup.

A link to CR-101 ([WSR #19-08-001](#)) can be found on [ALTSA's Information for Assisted Living Facility Professionals web page](#) under "ALF Rule Filings".

The department's purpose in filing the CR-101 is to add, appeal or amend sections to Chapter 388-78A WAC.

- These rules have not been updated in seven or more years and are unclear, ambiguous, and inaccurate.
- These rule changes will create consistent regulations across the Residential Care Services programs.
- The rule making will be limited to the physical plant sections and the associated definitions.

Please check the ALTSA website often as we will be posting draft language for review and comment before filing the CR-102. For rule making questions, please contact Jeanette K. Childress, Long Term Care Policy Program Manager at (360) 725-2591 or jeanette.childress@dshs.wa.gov.

Sincerely,

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